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THE UNITED States Air Force Band of Liberty gained its newest member on April 27th when Second Lieutenant Cristina M. Urrutia Moore joined the band as Deputy Commander and Associate Conductor.

Lt Urrutia Moore hails from Kimball, Nebraska. She attended the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL), graduating magna cum laude in 1995 with a Bachelor of Music degree in French Horn Performance. She continued her graduate studies at the same institution, earning a Master of Music degree in Orchestral Conducting in 1998.

At UNL, she served as the University Symphony Orchestra's Assistant Conductor and Graduate

Teaching Assistant. She also appeared throughout Nebraska as guest conductor for the Third Chair Chamber Players, the Intergenerational Orchestra, and the Omaha Theatre Company.

Lt Urrutia Moore had been interested in becoming a full-time conductor for many years. When the opportunity presented itself, she began considering employment with a professional military ensemble.

She attended a conducting clinic hosted by the United States Air Force Heartland of America Band, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska during the summer of 1998. Through this clinic, she was encouraged to audition for a military band leader position.

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A Message from our Commander



Captain Scott A. Guidry
Commander

I am extremely proud to announce the arrival of the AF Band of Liberty's Deputy Commander, Lieutenant Cristina Urrutia Moore! Lt Urrutia Moore hails from Kimball, Nebraska and brings a wealth of talent and officership to our organization. Her contributions as a leader are already being noticed, and she made her debut as Associate Conductor in June. Welcome, Lieutenant!

The Band of Liberty's musical talents are apparent to anyone attending our performances. What many people don't see, however, are the hidden talents, vocations, and passions that bear some attention. In this edition, you'll read about a marathon runner, physician assistant-in-training, and Tae-Kwon-Do black belt -- accomplishments that required time and energy outside of an already demanding Band of Liberty schedule. These stories are astonishing, but not too surprising to yours truly, who commands the sharpest, most goal-oriented airmen imagineable. My hat goes off to these exceptional people.

I hope to see you at one of our outdoor summer performances throughout the glorious New England/New York State area. We take tremendous pride in supporting the mission of the Electronic Systems Center and the world's greatest air and space force.

Enjoy this latest edition of our Chimes of Liberty!



NEWS BRIEFS



Bandsman Runs Boston Marathon

On April 16th, SrA Kevin Bleau accomplished one of his personal goals by successfully running the 105th Boston Marathon. Out of more than 15,000 participants, including 25 from Hanscom AFB, Kevin finished number 711 with an impressive time of 2:56:32. He spent more than 6 months training for the race. Congratulations, Kevin, on this great "feet"!

Baby Congratulations

Congratulations to SSgt Eric Pantalone and his wife Etsuko on the arrival of their baby daughter Vivian Eriko. She was born on March 29th weighing 4 lbs., 12 oz. Welcome to the world, Vivian!

Air National Guard Bandsman Joins Band of Liberty for Training

The Band of Liberty's euphonium section doubled for a six week time period. A1C Dave Seibert, a member of the 567th Air National Guard Band stationed at Headquarters MA ANG, Milford, Massachusetts, joined the band as part of a required six week On-the-Job Training with an active duty Air Force Band. He experienced "life on the road" during a recent New York state tour and performed several ceremonial and community-relations concerts during his time with us. Incidentally, Dave's wife, Airman First Class Crescent Seibert, is a clarinetist with the Band of Liberty.

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"The clinic gave me a good taste of what a military band was all about," said Lt Urrutia Moore. "When I conducted the members of the Heartland of America Band, I knew that the Air Force represented the highest caliber of musicianship and professionalism available."

Prior to entering the United States Air Force, she was the principal hornist and Associate Conductor of the 43rd Army Band of the Nebraska National Guard from November 1992 - January 2001.

She is a Distinguished Graduate of Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama and was commissioned on April 5th.

"As an officer in the United States Air Force, it gives me great pride to begin my career in the same place our country was born," commented Lt Urrutia Moore. "Being stationed in New England affords me the unique opportunity for tremendous growth. Not only am I surrounded by rich historical tradition, but I am in a setting where the arts flourish as well.

"The Band of Liberty is an outstanding group of musicians. I am very proud and blessed to be a part of such a fine ensemble. I look forward to working with the men and women of this band and learning from Captain Guidry's experience and musicianship."

PHOTOS:

Then Specialist (SPC) Cristina Urrutia Moore performs on French horn (top, 2nd from right) and conducts (bottom) the 43rd Army Band of the Nebraska National Guard.





Band Hosts Human Resources & Recruiting Symposium

THE UNITED States Air Force Band of Liberty hosted the first annual Human Resources and Recruiting Symposium from June 11-13. The conference provided a valuable forum for Human Resource Directors throughout the Air Force Bands career field to fine-tune their process for recruiting potential bandsmen. SSgt Bryan Bishop and A1C Amanda Proctor coordinated the event.

"The ultimate purpose of the conference was to brainstorm how we could eliminate redundancies in our hiring practices and ultimately find the best people for our Air Force Bands program," said SSgt Bishop.

"It [symposium] went beyond my wildest expectation," continued SSgt Bishop. "We found plenty of common ground and have begun to build a foundation to ensure that we recover from our current personnel shortages and maintain healthy manning into the next decade."

JOB OPENINGS

The United States Air Force Band of Liberty announces immediate vacancies for the following positions:

Saxophone	French Horn	Percussion (2)
Vocal	Piano	Bass

The United States Air Force Band of Liberty is a full time (active duty) Air Force band. Starting salary begins at \$20,000 with benefits including medical, dental, and 30 days vacation annually with pay. If interested in auditioning, please send a tape and resume to:

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Concert Band

July

- 3rd, Tue, 7:30 pm, Arms Park, Manchester, NH
- 4th, Wed, 7:00 pm, City Hall Esplanade, Springfield, MA
- 5th, Thu, 7:30 pm, Boarding House Park, Lowell, MA
- 7th, Sat, 8 pm, Riverfront Plaza, Hartford, CT
- 8th, Sun, 7:30 pm, Town Center, Enfield, CT
- 11th, Wed, 7 pm, City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA featuring *The Four Lads* and the *USO Troupe 2001*
- 12th, Thu, 7 pm, Billings Field, West Roxbury, MA

August

- 1st, Wed, 6 pm, North Hampton Band Stand, North Hampton, NH
- 2nd, Thu, 7 pm, Saltonstall Park, Watertown, MA
- 4th, Sat, 7 pm, Samples Shipyard, Boothbay, ME
- 5th, Sun, 7 pm, York Beach Band Stand, York Beach, ME
- 16th, Thu, 7 pm, Salem Willows, Salem, MA
- 17th, Fri, 7 pm, Waterplace Park, Providence, RI
- 22nd, Wed, 7:30 pm, Esplanade Hatch Shell, Boston, MA
- 23rd, Thu, 7 pm, Hudson Riverfront Park, Catskill, NY

August (continued)

- 25th, Sat, 7 pm, Island Park, Williamsville, NY
- 26th, Sun, 2:30 pm, Chautauqua Institute, Chautauqua, NY
- 27th, Mon, 6 pm, Vitale Park, Lakeville, NY
- 28th, Tue, 7 pm, Lakefront Park, Cooperstown, NY
- 29th, Wed, 7 pm, Manchester Bicentennial Band Shell, Manchester, CT

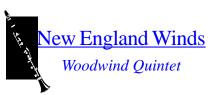
September

2nd, Sun, 6:30 pm, Von Trapp Meadow, Stowe, VT



August

- 8th, Wed, 7 pm, City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA featuring Ron Hawking
- 9th, Thu, 6 pm, Children's Beach, Nantucket, MA
- 10th, Fri, 7 pm, Kate Gould Park, Chatham, MA
- 11th, Sat, 7 pm, Village Green, Hyannis, MA
- 12th, Sun, 7 pm, Maudslay Arts Center, Newburyport, MA



August

- 9th, Thu, 2 pm, Stephan Caldwell Nursing Home, Ipswitch, MA
- 10th, Fri, 11 am, Children's Museum, Boston, MA



9th, Thu, 7 pm, Bandstand on the Town Common, Hancock, NH

New Horizon

Popular Music Combo

July

- 3rd, Tue, 6 pm, Winslow Mighty 4th of July Park, Winslow, ME
- 6th, Fri, 7 pm, Snug Harbor Cultural Center, Staten Island, NY
- 7th, Sat, 7:30 pm, City Center, Danbury, CT
- 8th, Sun, 6 pm, Bethel Municipal Center, Bethel, NY

August

- 2nd, Thu, 7 pm, Eagle Square, Concord, NH
- 3rd, Fri, 7 pm, Christopher Columbus Waterfront Park, Boston, MA
- 4th, Sat, 6 pm, Memorial Gym, Sanford, ME
- 5th, Sun, 12 pm, Prescott Park, Portsmouth, NH
- 7th, Tue, 6:15 pm, Natick Common, Natick, MA
- 8th, Wed, 6:30 pm, Town Common, Attleboro, MA
- 12th, Sun, 7 pm, Newmarket HS Memorial Park, Newmarket, NH
- 16th, Thu, 7 pm, Red Rock Park, Lynn, MA
- 17th, Fri, 7 pm, Londonderry HS, Londonderry, NH
- 26th, Sun, 6 pm, Leather City Common, Peabody, MA
- 28th thru 31st, Tue, Wed, Thu, and Fri
 12 pm, 2 pm, and 4 pm
 EVERYDAY!
 New York State Fair
 Special Events Tent
 Syracuse, NY

Hails & Farewells . . .



A Band of Liberty "Farewell" goes to A1C Kendra Cliff, a clarinetist from Corpus Christi, TX. A1C Cliff was a member of the *Concert Band* and *Ceremonial Band*. In addition to her performing duties, she also was one of the the band's publicity representatives. Kendra is planning to enroll at Boston University where she will pursue a degree in Web Design. Good luck!



The Band of Liberty also says "Goodbye" to **SrA Tony Godoy**. A native of Vestal, NY, SrA Godoy performed as a trumpeter with the *Concert Band*, *Ambassadors Jazz Ensemble*, and *Ceremonial Band*. Aside from his musical duties, Tony was the band's historian. He is pursuing a Master's Degree in Music Education at Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY. Best wishes, Tony!



"Farewell" to **SSgt Tim Blake**. A native of Binghamton, NY and a percussionist with the Band of Liberty, SSgt Blake performed with the *Concert Band*, *Ambassadors Jazz Ensemble*, *Colonial Brass Quintet*, and *Ceremonial Band*. He has been reassigned to the United States Air Forces in Europe Band, Sembach Air Base, Germany. Take care and best wishes to you and your family.





MSgt (sel) David D. Arnold Lindstrom, MN



MSgt (sel) James M. Boubonis Kenosha, WI





SrA Below-the-Zone A1C Jeremy L. Grant New Orleans, LA

personnel Spotlight

Quarterly Award Winners
April - June 2001

Senior Noncommissioned Officer



MSgt Katherine G. Cooper Springfield, MO

Noncommissioned Officer



SSgt Eric W. Baroni Vicksburg, MS

Airman



A1C John R. M. Garcia II Roanoke, VA

Ensemble Highlight

The *Concert Band* is the flagship of the United States Air Force Band of Liberty.

The band is comprised of approximately 50 members, which includes both instrumentalists and vocalists. It supports the Air Force Bands mission by providing community relations concerts throughout New York state and New England. The *Concert Band* also works closely with both the Electronic Systems Center and the 66th Air Base Wing at Hanscom Air Force Base, providing musical support for a wide variety of military functions and other protocol events.



Hanscom Band Students Visit Band of Liberty



EARLY IN April, band students from Hanscom Middle School joined members of the USAF Band of Liberty for an afternoon of rehearsal. The event gave the students a brief up-close and personal look at the life of a professional musician.

The students sat among the band in their respective sections and observed them as they prepared for an upcoming concert.

Flutist Chelsea Fullerton had a unique experience when she sat next her father, TSgt DJ Fullerton, during the rehearsal (photo).

"It was really cool to be sitting next to my dad," said Chelsea. "I usually don't get to hear him during a concert unless he is doing a solo. I enjoyed listening to him play. All of my friends said they had a great time watching and listening to the band."

The Hanscom Middle School band program consists of approximately 20 students ranging from grades 6-8. The band director is Ms. Laurel Reckert.

Bandsman Selected for Physician Assistant Program



SSGT ERIC Baroni has been selected to attend the Interservice Physician Assistant Program (IPAP) at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas beginning in January 2002.

"I am so excited about this opportunity," said SSgt Baroni. "Even while I was majoring in Music Performance, I always wanted to get involved in medicine. Now I have my chance."

The program, affiliated with the University of Nebraska, is divided into 2 phases. Phase I consists of 52 weeks of academics, and Phase II is 50 weeks of clinical rotations at a military treatment facility. Upon completion of Phase II, graduates will meet National Commission on the Certification of Physician Assistant (NCCPA) qualifications for certification and receive a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Armed Forces.

Since the fall of 1998, SSgt Baroni has taken the prerequisite classes necessary to apply for the program.

"It has been a long journey getting to this point. Juggling night classes with a never-ending touring schedule starts to take its toll, but now I can say it has definitely been worth it!" said SSgt Baroni.

The selection board convened at Randolph AFB, TX during the week of March 26 and selected 19 attendees out of 59 applicants.

SrA LaCroix Receives Black Belt



SRA RICHARD LaCroix achieved one of the highest levels of self-defense possible when he received his 1st Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do, Chung Do Kwan on April 28th.

SrA LaCroix went before a testing board in Houghton, Michigan. Similar to a promotion board, this panel consisted of 36 Black Belts ranging from 1st Degree to 6th Degree. Approximately 50 other students were

testing that day, only four of which received their Black Belts.

Qualifications include mastery of all basic techniques, proficiency in all advanced techniques, self-defense and throwing techniques, demonstration of self-control, sparring for five rounds, board and brick breaking, and a verbal exam. His testing lasted more than three hours.

SrA LaCroix started Tae Kwon Do three years ago and is a student of the Hanscom Tae Kwon Do School on base. "It began as a means of increasing my flexibility and self-discipline," says SrA LaCroix. "I am now an assistant instructor, but I have *many* more hurdles that lie ahead in my own study."

Tae Kwon Do means "the art of hand and foot." There are a total of 9 degrees of Black Belt.

SrA LaCroix created a website for the Hanscom Tae Kwon Do School: http://hanscomtkd.homestead.com/welcome.html.